

STATE REPRESENTATIVE • 70TH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT

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Rep. VanderMeer begins second term

Will Chair Assembly Committee on Rural Development and Mining

Madison - State Representative Nancy VanderMeer (R-Tomah) was sworn in yesterday for her second term to represent the 70th Assembly District in the 103rd session of the Wisconsin State Legislature. In the 2017-2018 Legislative Session, Rep. VanderMeer will take on a new role as Chairperson of the Committee on Rural Development and Mining and continue to serve as Vice Chairperson of the Veterans and Military Affairs Committee. In addition, Rep. VanderMeer will serve on the Agriculture Committee, the Consumer Protection Committee, the Mental Health Committee, the Science and Technology Committee, and the Small Business Development Committee.

She released the following statement:

"I eagerly look forward to the upcoming legislative session. In my new role as Chair of the Committee on Rural Development and Mining, we will strive to focus on rural economic development by helping to create more opportunities for the rural areas of our state which is vital for the 70th district. I'm especially proud to continue my work as Vice Chair of the Veterans and Military Affairs Committee to champion those that have made tremendous sacrifices for the freedoms we afford. I am committed... I look forward to working with my colleagues on both sides of the aisle to address issues related to rural development and our veterans."

"In addition, many of the legislative areas that I was able to work with in the last legislative session, including: addressing physician shortages and increasing access to rural healthcare, protecting the elderly who are some of our most vulnerable citizens, increasing access to mental health care, combatting prescription drug abuse and addiction, easing access to employment for our veterans, and finding ways to help our public school system, will all continue to be of paramount importance in the upcoming session."

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The 70th Assembly District includes portions of Monroe, Jackson, Portage and Wood counties.